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LOK SABHA

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COMPENSATION TO VICTIMS OF CUSTODIAL VIOLENCE
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Court of Justice has recommended payment of compensation to the victims of custodial violence;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government proposes to adopt the UN declaration of 1997 in case of custodial tortures;

(d) if so, the time by which the Government is likely to make announcement in this regard; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): The International Court of Justice, which deals with legal disputes between countries, has not in any case ordered payment of compensation to the victims of custodial violence in the national context.

(c) to (e): There is no UN Declaration of 1997 in the case of custodial torture.